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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

In re Application of

Customer No.: 20277

Tetsuji Kishi

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SECOND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated October 27, 2003 and the final Office Action dated July 1, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 1, 2003, and the petition for a two-month extension of time up to and including December 1, 2003 being filed concurrently herewith, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks: